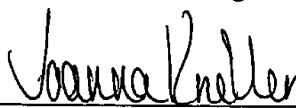




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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action dated June 3, 2003, please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the drawings are addressed at page 2 of this document.

Amendments to the specification are set forth beginning at page 3.

The currently pending claims and amendments thereto are recited at page 9.

The Applicants' remarks begin at page 10.

In the Drawings:¹

Please delete the original sheets FIG.1, FIG.2, and FIG.3.

Please substitute the sheets included herewith FIG.1, FIG.2, and FIG.3 (corrected drawings).

¹ Please find amendments to the drawings addressed in the corrected drawings included herewith.